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Applicants:	Kazuaki ISHIHARA, et al.	Confirmation	9383
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

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Sir:

Responsive to the Non-Final Official Action dated January 30, 2008, the applicants respectfully request reconsideration in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.